Dear Parent of GEMS Academy participant,

We are excited that you have enrolled your child for GEMS Academy and look forward to exploring various STEM subjects with Western professors, students, and professionals who are currently involved in STEM fields in the community. Below is pertinent information for you:

Check-in: Students check in between 9:45 and 10:00a.m. on March 5th in Academic West. (#50 on the campus map: http://www.ps.wwu.edu/parking/map/index.aspx.)

Please be sure and check the workshops that your child is registered for in the registration confirmation that you received by email.

Check-Out: Students check-out in Academic West (SRC #50 on the campus map) at 4:00p.m.

Please be prompt, we have a full schedule of activities planned.

Directions: Take I-5 to exit 252 (WWU/Samish Way). Follow the signs to WWU. Take Bill McDonald Parkway to South Campus Way. Once on campus, look for GEMS signs directing you to the gravel (C) lots on south campus. There is a crosswalk at the north end of the lot. Academic West is the first building on the right side of the pathway.

Parking: Free parking is available in the gravel (C) lots in front of Fairhaven College.

Please do not park in No Parking, fire lanes or handicapped zones.

What to Bring:
- A curious mind
- Jacket (for walk to science buildings and dining hall)
- Water bottle
- Pen and paper
- A healthy snack (optional)

Make sure your belongings are clearly marked with your name. **WWU is not responsible for lost belongings.**

Have an inspiring and fun experience at GEMS Academy!